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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

MEIRI

Confirmation No.: 9932

Serial No.: 10/525,776

Group Art Unit: 1657

Filed: May 18, 2005

Examiner: WOOD, Amanda P.

For: **METHOD OF DIAGNOSIS OF PREGNANCY-RELATED
COMPLICATIONS**

**PETITION TO WITHDRAW HOLDING OF ABANDONMENT BASED ON
EVIDENCE THAT A REPLY WAS TIMELY FILED**

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

This Petition is responsive to the Notice of Abandonment dated January 10, 2008, and issued in the above-identified application. 37 CFR 1.81 provides that, *inter alia*, except as otherwise provided, any petition not filed within 2 months from the action complained of may be dismissed as untimely. Therefore, this petition is timely filed.

REMARKS

Applicants submit that the Notice of Abandonment issued in the above-identified application and dated January 10, 2008, is improper and should be withdrawn.

An Official Action dated June 25, 2007 requiring Restriction between pending claims 36-62 was received by Applicants. A Response to the Restriction Requirement were filed with the United States Patent and Trademark Office on July 11, 2007 as evidenced by the date-stamped Filing Receipt submitted herewith as Exhibit A. The Filing Receipt is date-stamped "JUL 11 2007" and indicates that a "Transmittal Letter" and a "Response to Restriction Requirement" was filed with the United States Patent and Trademark Office on July 11, 2007. See Exhibit B and Exhibit C submitted herewith, respectively. Accordingly, a reply, i.e., a Response to Restriction Requirement, was timely filed.

In addition, the Filing Receipt properly identifies the above-identified application by the proper inventor, serial number, filing date, confirmation number, art unit, Examiner, and title. In addition, the Filing Receipt properly identifies the reply as a "Response to Restriction Requirement, three (3) pages."

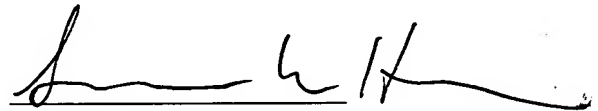
In view of the foregoing, Applicants submit that the holding of abandonment should be withdrawn because a Response to Restriction Requirement was timely filed as shown by the date-stamped Filing Receipt submitted herewith as Exhibit A.

Examination on the merits is earnestly solicited. Should the Examiner deem that any further action by Applicants' undersigned representative is desirable and/or necessary, the Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned at the number set forth below.

Please charge any fee deficiency or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 14-0112.

Respectfully submitted,

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TRANSMITTAL LETTER

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Submitted herewith for filing in the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office is the following:

- (1) Transmittal Letter, one (1) page;
- (2) Petition to Withdraw Holding of Abandonment, three (3) pages; and
- (3) Exhibit A, Exhibit B, and Exhibit C.

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EXHIBIT A



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EXHIBIT C